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<b>Application Number</b>	09/430,906
<b>Filing Date</b>	11/1/1999
<b>First Named Inventor</b>	West et al.
<b>Art Unit</b>	1761
<b>Examiner Name</b>	Curtis E. Sherrer
<b>Attorney Docket Number</b>	PW-1CPA

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

**1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114**

a.  Previously submitted

- i.  Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

b.  Enclosed

- i.  Amendment/Reply
- ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Miscellaneous**

- a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

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- i.  RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
- ii.  Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

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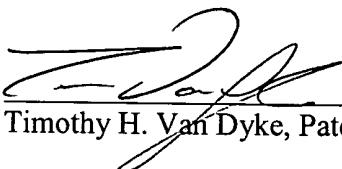
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SUBMISSION TO ACCOMPANY REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Sir,

Applicants provide the following amendments and remarks in response to the  
latest office action dated December 17, 2002: